# Purple Pages

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Our School Christian Vision - 'Working together to build a firm foundation for learning and caring.'

Rooted in Matthew 7 24 - 25 'Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock.'



### CHRISTIAN VALUE OF THE TERM: WISDOM

"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and instruction."

Proverbs 1:7

# Message from the Headteacher

Well done to all our 'Stars of the Week' from last week! It was lovely to hear how our older children have been supporting the younger members of St John's and of children going above and beyond to ensure they follow the rules of Ready, Respectful and Safe.

What another action packed week we have had at St John's!

The Mini Police had a very interesting afternoon learning about traffic and road safety. They were visited by a Speed Enforcement Officer who talked to them about their role of looking after our community by enforcing the speed limit. The mini-police were also shown how to operate a speed camera and they even tested out their new skills by seeing at what speed they could run at!

Thank you to Mr Yarlett for organising NSPCC Number Day and thank you for all the effort you have made to dress the children as numbers, dice, repeating patterns and even multiplication facts! If you have not done so already, please make your donations using the link provided.

Our Young Voices choir are singing their hearts out at this very moment at the OVO Arena in Wembley! A huge thank you to Miss Wood for organising this amazing opportunity for our children. I know many treasured moments will be had that the children will remember for many years to come!

Next week brings term three to an end. We will end the term with a 'Non-Uniform Friday' to raise funds for the PTA. There will also be a cake sale during the children's break times.

Have a wonderful weekend! Mrs Monks

# **Dates for Your Diary**

7th February	Years 5 & 6 to watch 'Oliver!' at Somervale School
8th February	PTA Disco
9th February	PTA Non-Uniform Day and cake sale (break-time) Last day of term
19th February	Start of Term 4
7th March	World Book Day

### Mini Police





# Awards of the Week

Well done to all of our pupils who have achieved an award this week!

	Star of the Week	Star Readers
Acorns	Miley Betsy	Hugo Taylor
Ash	Maeva	Lexi
Birch	Harlowe-Rose	Dylan
Chestnut	Myka	Sophia L
Elm	Emilee	Darcey
Hazel	Josh	Lola
Holly	Dorothy	Tommy G
Maple	Boana	Leo
Oak	Рорру W	Maisy
Pine	George	Reggie
Rowan	Nyla	Alfie
Sycamore	Owen	Charlie
Willow	Evie	Poppy

Top Doodling Class

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Well done!





Forever Sport Stars of the Day:

Year 6 Sycamore - Charlie

Year 6 Willow - Zack

Year 5 Pine - Pheobe and Reggie

Year 5 Rowan - Zachary and Isobelle

Year 4 Maple - Bo

Year 4 Oak - Ava

Year 3 Hazel - Reggie and Darcey

Year 3 Holly- Daisy and Oscar

Year 2 Elm - Jaxon

Year 2 Chestnut - Riley and Sofia L

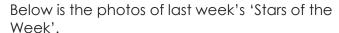
Year 1 Ash - No star of the day

Year 1 Birch - Oliver and Daisy

Great work!

### **Hot Chocolate Friday**

As our Hot Cholate celebration with our 'Stars of the Week' is on a Friday afternoon, we have decided that going forward the photos of these will be included in the following week's Purple Pages.















# **Number Day 2024**

We're thrilled to share the success of our recent Number Day celebration! The children looked fantastic in their numerical-themed costumes and we extend our gratitude to all the parents for their support crafting outfits and donations towards the NSPCC.

Throughout the day, our pupils engaged in practical math lessons, from "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire" quizzes, to measuring body parts and active games. It was inspiring to see them apply mathematical skills with such enthusiasm and teamwork.

Thank you for your support in making Number Day a memorable and educational experience for our students!

Further donations to the NSPCC may be made via Parentpay (www.parentpay.com).













## **Learning in Year 4**

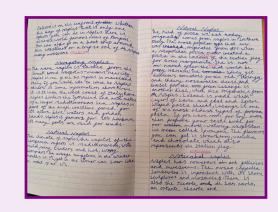
This term in Year 4, Maple and Oak class have been working extremely hard in English to write persuasive holiday brochures all about Naples.

We've done a lot of research to create our final pieces. All that describing Margherita pizzas and Neapolitan ice cream has left us hungry!









# Reading in Year 2

This week in Year 2 the children have been enjoying reading the books they chose from the library in Midsomer Norton. Our favourites include: Bad Cat, Where's Wally and The Baby and Me.

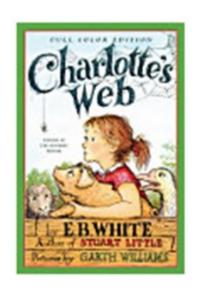
We love reading so much, we read at every opportunity!



### Reading in Year 3

'It is not often that someone comes along who is a true friend and a good writer.'

This term Holly and Hazel Classes have been reading 'Charlotte's Web'. We've enjoyed learning about spiders and how they have 7 parts to their legs; we've been hungry listening to the descriptions of all the food that Wilbur is given and we've laughed at a pig trying to spin a web. The children have showed amazing detective skills when it came to inferring characters feelings.



# **Gymnastics**

Yesterday, a group of children took part in an inclusive gymnastics festival at Writhlington. They took part in a range of gymnastics activities and had such a an amazing time!

For some children, it was the first time they had set foot in a gym and they challenged themselves in every activity.

A massive well done to you all!













# Mr Cracknell's Challenge

At the start of the year, as a school we focus on setting goals and achievements for the year. Excitingly, I've accepted a unique challenge from my inspiring year 5 students – to run the Brighton Marathon! As I lace up my running shoes, I realise that this journey goes beyond personal fitness; it's about making a difference in the lives of those who need it most.

The motivation behind my marathon endeavor extends to the incredible team at Great Ormond Street Hospital (GOSH). Their tireless efforts to provide the best possible future for children has left an indelible mark on my heart. Every day, they work brilliantly hard to make a lasting impact on the lives of young ones.

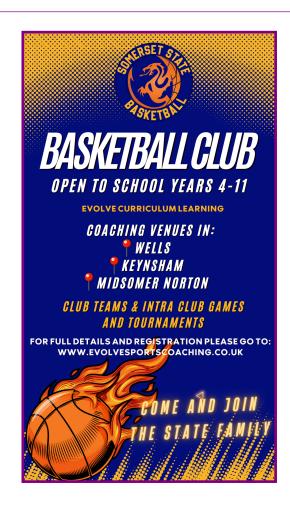
By joining this marathon, I aim to give back to GOSH for their unwavering commitment to children's health. I would be extremely grateful if anyone could donate anything, as little as £2, towards this amazing charity and fuel my ambition to raise as much as possible for this incredible and inspiring charity.

If you do donate, please leave your name and Children's names so that I can thank you.

Here is my Just Giving link and QR code:

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/theteacherthatruns1? utm\_source=copyLink&utm\_medium=fundraising&utm\_content=thet eacherthatruns1&utm\_campaign=pfpshare&utm\_term=332ca5596c6449e69917a456504b62e8







# Victoria Art Gallery Free half-term activity

# Ladybird Ladybird

Tuesday 13 to Friday 16 February 10.30am - 2.00pm

Make a ladybird with moving wings and learn about the ladybird life cycle.





Half-term is nearly here - pop into the Victoria Art Gallery for a free family creative activity.

We have activity trails and colouring in sheets for exploring the exhibition too.



victoriagal.org.uk/events

# **The Roman Baths** Drop-in Activity – February 2024

### Little Britannia

Monday 12 February - Friday 16 February 10am - 12.30pm & 1.30pm - 4pm



Find out what childhood was like in Roman times! Did Roman children go to school and what did they play with? Children must be accompanied by an adult. Included in Roman Baths admission. Book at romanbaths.co.uk.

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### LIBRARY EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

### w/c 5 Feb

#### **Bath Central Library**

Centenary Storytime - 1920s: Winnie the Pooh

Tuesday 10.30 - 11.00am 6 Feb

Baby Bounce and Rhyme

Wednesday 10.30 - 11.00am 7 Feb

Knit Two, Share One - knitting & Crochet group for any age/ability

10.00 - 12.00pm Thursday 8 Feb

Norland Nannies Community Sewing Bee - For any age/ability, drop in 9 Feb

10.00 - 2.00pm Friday

**Board Game Saturdays** 

Saturday 12.30 - 4.00pm 10 Feb

Sensory Space, for families with children and young adults with sensory needs

Mon - Sat, Book a Session via Eventbrite

Lego Lab, Family Fun Drop In

During opening hours Mon - Sat

Art in the Library:

Picturing Bath: Original prints and sketches by Sally and Ed Harker

Mon - Sat During opening hours 5 Feb - 1 March

### Gift a Coat

Donate a coat to someone who might need it to keep warm this winter.

Tuesday 2 January - Saturday 17 February 2024 at Bath Central Library Bath Housing, Welfare & Advice Services

### LIBRARY EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

### w/c 5 Feb

### Keynsham Library

Baby Bounce and Rhyme

9.30 - 10.00am Tuesday

10.30 - 11.00am

Centenary Storytime - 1920s: Winnie the Pooh

11.00 - 11.30am

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### Midsomer Norton Library

Baby Bounce and Rhyme

11.00 - 11.30am

Book Trust Storytime - Are You a Monster?

10.30 - 11.00am Wednesday 7 Feb

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For any ticketed events, the link will be online via the blog.

10 Feb

